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Dear Mr. Jones:

We received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for "a copy of the all responsive documents, emails, memos and/or PowerPoint presentations given to the President of the United States regarding candidates for targeted killing of Al Qaeda's branch in Yemen, Afghanistan, and Pakistan, its allies in Somalia's Shabab militia or elsewhere. Please also include documents which refer to these documents or the meeting during which they were presented, and any other materials related to these "kill list" presentations and conference calls, as previously referred to in this New York Times article: <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/05/29/world/obamas-leadership-in-war-on-al-aeda.html?pagewanted=all>."

We have assigned your request U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) FOIA Control Number 2012-119. Please refer to this number should you have any questions. It is being processed in accordance with procedural requirements promulgated in DoD Regulation 5400.7-R which is available on the internet at: <http://www.defenselink.mil/pubs/foi/>. The actual processing time will depend upon its complexity, whether it involves sensitive records, voluminous records, extensive searches, consultation among DoD components or other agencies, and our administrative workload.

We have placed you in the "News Media" category for fee purposes. This means you are obligated to pay for all duplication costs after the first 100 pages; however, depending on the size of the documents, we may provide the final release on CD.

The USSOCOM FOIA Office has a substantial number of pending FOIA cases and, therefore, we process requests in a multi-track processing system based on the date of receipt and the amount of work and time involved in processing each request. It is likely that processing your request will exceed the statutory 20-working day time limit. It is possible that narrowing the scope of your request may result in a shorter processing time. If you wish to discuss this or have any other questions or concerns, please contact me at FOIA@socom.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Phyllis D. Holden".

Phyllis D. Holden
Chief, Freedom of Information/
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